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**Blizzard of '97 Cripples Area;
Mattapoisett Election Suspended**

By Kenneth J. Souza

It was Mother Nature who had the last laugh this past April Fools Day when she dumped nearly a foot of snow on the SouthCoast area. After many New Englanders had caught an early dose of Spring Fever thanks, in part, to a sunny and warm Easter weekend, the weather took a turn for the worse Monday evening, when high winds, rain, and a sudden drop in temperature ushered in a heavy, wet snow storm.

And local town officials found themselves caught in a mire of cancellations, poor road conditions, and a declared State of Emergency throughout the Commonwealth.

Although both the Acushnet and Rochester Boards of Selectmen managed to hold their regular weekly meetings on Monday evening — just as the storm was starting to inch its way across the coast — the aftermath on Tuesday morning forced the cancellation of both the Marion and Mattapoisett Selectmen's meetings that evening ... and the suspension of Mattapoisett's highly-anticipated Annual Town Election.

"Since (Governor) Weld declared a State of Emergency this morning, we were forced to suspend the election," said Mattapoisett Executive Secretary Carol Adams. "It looks like it will be suspended until April 15, although that date may change."

Indeed, the storm created much confusion in Mattapoisett Tuesday morning. Although the Town Hall opened as per usual, and Town Clerk Lois K. Ennis opened the polls at 10:00 am, the pending orders from Governor William Weld — and a limited driving ban in some areas — would shut everything down within an hour.

By approximately 9:30 am, local news stations reported that the Mattapoisett Election would be held despite the inclement weather. And though an estimated 100 residents did manage to make it out to the voting booths, the election was suspended shortly after 11:00 am. Ms. Adams stressed that those ballots which had already been cast would be "placed under lock and key" and will be counted when the election is rescheduled.

Of course, all of this serves only to prolong what has become one of the most hotly-contested races in recent Mattapoisett history.

"I would have been in favor of the election going on," said Selectman Paul E. Lambalot, candidate for re-election. "However the decision was made and we'll have to wait until the continuance. I'm disappointed, but I understand why it was (suspended)."

Selectman candidate Gil Lafrance agreed about the postponement. "It's kind of disappointing ... it's been a long four months of campaigning and I was hoping by

8:30 pm (Tuesday) we'd know one way or the other," he said. "These things happen ... sometimes you can't plan for them. Now I guess we'll just have to get the word back to the voters."

Mr. Lafrance was also a little concerned about the confusion surrounding the on-again, off-again scheduling of the election. "It was very confusing," Mr. Lafrance said. "After the Secretary of State came on (television) and said all polls were suspended, I notified (Town Clerk) Lois Ennis, and she took a while to get back to us. While we were giving word (to voters) that the polls were closed, they were open ... for about an hour and a half by our tally."

Selectman Lambalot said it was his understanding that the Secretary of State gave the option of whether or not to open the polls to the Town Clerk's office.

"I had a conversation with the Secretary of State's office (Tuesday) morning, and they were recommending that we suspend the election," confirmed Town Clerk Lois K. Ennis. "There's really no law or policy governing the postponement of an election."

Ms. Ennis noted that she did open the polls as scheduled at 10:00 am, and then decided to close them at 11:30 am after talking to the Secretary of State. But she maintains that the weather certainly wasn't stopping many people from voting — in fact, a total of 129 voters cast their ballots within that short 90-minute time span. "People were not finding it difficult to get out to vote," she said. "We even had residents calling who had four-wheel drive vehicles, offering to take people to the polls."

On the cover: The view from The Wanderer office on Tuesday Morning. Mother Nature played the ultimate practical joke on April Fool's Day when after teasing us with a taste of Spring and then clobbering us with the biggest snow storm of the season.

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Because it's difficult to reschedule an election, and it requires additional time to get the notice out to voters, Ms. Ennis was reluctant to suspend it once it was underway. "I'm really disappointed that we had to call it off," she said. "In my view, the weather wasn't that bad ... and I think an election should go forward no matter what."

Ms. Ennis said she expected to receive confirmation from the state regarding the suggested continuance date of April 15 by either Wednesday or Thursday afternoon (April 2 or 3).

Sports Shorts

By Pamela L. Sylvia

■ Old Colony Regional Voke

• Three members of the outstanding 1997 Cougars Boys Basketball Team have been selected as members of the Mayflower League Basketball All-Star Team. The Boys Basketball team at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School compiled an excellent record during their recently-completed campaign, were League Co-Champions, and qualified for State Tournament play.

Rafael Leonor, a senior from Acushnet, led the Cougars in scoring. Leading rebounder John Madden of Carver was selected as a Co-MVP of the Mayflower League. Thiago Leonor, also from Acushnet, was selected as a junior.

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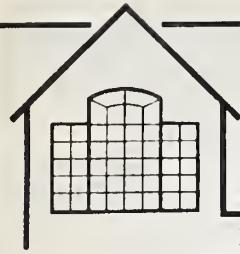
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• The Athletic Department at Old Colony Regional Voke held its Annual Basketball Banquet on Wednesday, April 2 at 6:30 pm in the school's cafeteria. The awards program was preceded by an Italian dinner prepared by Old Colony's Culinary Arts Department. Certificates and awards (not available at press time) were to be presented to members of the Boys and Girls Basketball teams.

Please send Sports Shorts items to the attention of Pamela Sylvia c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, or you can fax information to 758-4845.

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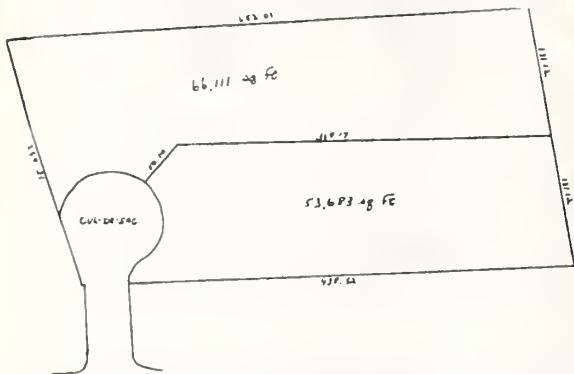
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Acushnet Selectmen's Meeting

March 31, 1997

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Acushnet Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, March 31 at 6:00 pm by Chairman Everett L. Hardy Jr. Also present were Selectman Peter W. Koczera, Selectman Robert J. St. Jean, and Executive Secretary Elaine G. Miranda.

At 6:00 pm the board first held a random drawing of all money articles which will appear on the April 28 Annual Town Meeting warrant. According to Chairman Hardy, Articles 1 through 18 dealt with the necessary workings of town government and the General Operating Budget, and therefore must remain at the front of the warrant. However, the articles they were about to randomly select were all capital expenditures that required voters' consideration but didn't need to appear in any particular order. The following articles were then drawn in a lottery and would appear on the warrant in this order:

- ARTICLE 19 - Allocating a sum of money to purchase security fencing at the town barn;
- ARTICLE 20 - Allocate \$50,000 to upgrade the libraries at Acushnet Elementary School and Ford Middle School;
- ARTICLE 21 - Allocate \$40,000 to install internal heating system at Acushnet Elementary School;
- ARTICLE 22 - Allocate \$1,400 to erect an historic plaque at Howard's Neck;
- ARTICLE 23 - Allocate \$50,000 to repair and repave town roads;
- ARTICLE 24 - Allocate \$1,266 to support the Buzzards Bay Action Committee (BBAC);
- ARTICLE 25 - Allocate \$32,000 to convert the Mason W. Burt School into a new Senior Center;
- ARTICLE 26 - Authorize Acushnet to



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- ARTICLE 28 - Allocate \$800 to install new street lights in town;
- ARTICLE 29 - Allocate \$7,500 to hire a consultant to conduct a cost analysis for a heating system at Acushnet Elementary School;
- ARTICLE 30 - Allocate \$115,000 to purchase a road sweeper and catch basin cleaner for the Department of Public Works;

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• ARTICLE 31 - Allocate \$5,000 to make repairs and improvements to the Department of Public Works facility.

The board agreed that this random drawing seemed to work well, and that all departments and special interest groups were equally given a fair chance at appearing earlier in the warrant, thereby increasing their chances of garnering voter approval. "I think this is the best way to select (big money) articles," Selectman Koczera said. "It's the fairest way for everyone."

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received a letter from Teddy and Madeleine Cioper of Main Street to place an article on the Town Meeting warrant to discontinue a portion of Thomas Street from Nelson Street south to Pembroke Avenue. Selectman Koczera noted this was property behind the Acushnet Main Street Plaza, and the road in question is no longer used. "It goes nowhere," he said. With that, the board unanimously voted to place the article as submitted on the Town Meeting warrant.

Building Department Clerk Patricia Harbeck next sent a letter to the board regarding their denial of her request to carryover five vacation days from the current fiscal year into next year. Ms. Harbeck contends that the board approved her request last year, and that Building Inspector James Buckles had already given her permission to carryover these unused vacation days.

"It was placed in the contract (with municipal employees) that if a person was out sick, or a department head was out sick for any period of time, that you could carryover up to five vacation days from one year to another," Chairman Hardy said. "This year there have been no department emergencies ... that would warrant this practice. We granted (Ms. Harbeck's) request last year, but it's not a standard policy."

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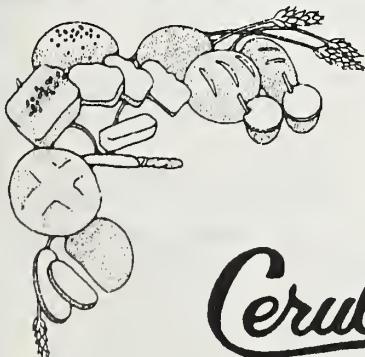
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vacation time, or lose it," Selectman Koczera said. "I think we should let that decision stand." The board agreed to schedule a meeting with all department heads regarding this matter prior to contract negotiations for the upcoming fiscal year.

Department of Public Works (DPW)
 Superintendent Richard Settele next sent a memo to the board requesting a Special Town Meeting to allocate additional funding for line item 60004440-529200 to pay a shortfall in the Sewer Pumping account to New Bedford. Chairman Hardy noted that since this money is to come out of the current fiscal year, this article cannot be placed on the Annual Town Meeting warrant. The board agreed to plan a Special Town Meeting for this purpose at a later



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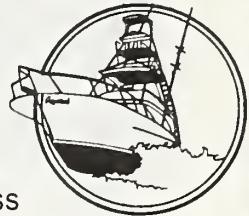
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Chairman Hardy then noted that Donald Gaspar would be coming in later that evening for two different matters, but he wanted the board to address his request to videotape weekly Selectmen's meetings on Monday nights. Chairman Hardy said he had no objection to Mr. Gaspar's request, but he didn't want anyone setting up equipment during the meeting. "We should tell him that all the equipment should be set up before the meeting is called to order," he said.

With April 1 fast-approaching, the board called in Town Treasurer/Tax Collector Lillian Garbaciak to discuss her filling both positions on a temporary basis until a new Town Treasurer was hired. "As of April 1, Town Meeting voted to split the jobs ... but we can appoint you tonight as both Town Treasurer and Tax Collector (on a temporary basis)," Chairman Hardy said.

The board then unanimously voted to appoint Ms. Garbaciak as Town Treasurer through April 30, 1997, and also unanimously voted to appoint her as Tax Collector through April 30, 1997 — the latter position pending final contract approval.

At 6:30 pm the board met with Cable Television Committee Chairman Kenneth J. Souza; Wes Rea, CVI's Regional Programming Director; and Donald Grossman of CVI regarding a complaint made by Manuel and Brenda Raposa over *The Dumb Dog Show with Donald Gaspar*, which aired on Public Access Channel 2 last week.

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Mr. Grossman of CVI noted that they are required, by law, to provide access to residents for any programming on Channel 2, provided these programs meet strict guidelines. Mr. Grossman added that all people who appear on Public Access shows are required to sign a Statement of Compliance, making them solely responsible for any information they provide. He quoted from this statement: "False or misleading statements

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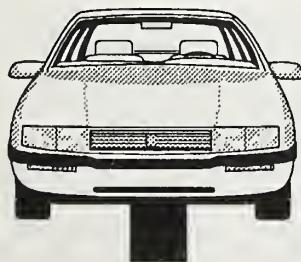
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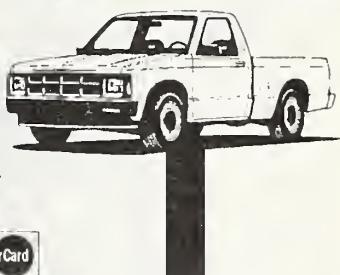
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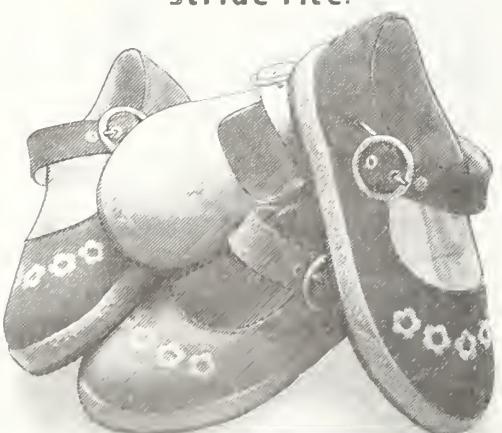
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made in this application or in the playback of the program are grounds for forfeiture of the right to use public access equipment, facility and/or air time."

"It's pretty plain what the rules and regulations are," Mr. Grossman said. "We hope users don't take advantage of the situation. I understand (Mr. and Ms. Raposa's) concern, and I would suggest they talk to an attorney. This is a First Amendment issue ... and neither Time/Warner nor the (Acushnet) Board of Selectmen are involved in this in any way."

Ms. Raposa said all she wanted was a public apology from Mr. Gaspar, and his acknowledgement that his facts were incorrect. Mr. Grossman agreed that under the circumstances "the decent thing" to do would be to offer an apology. But Mr. Gaspar, who was present for the meeting, said he wanted to double-check his facts before offering an apology. "The statements that I made on that program were handed to me at Town Meeting," he said. "And they were substantiated by (Glen) Alferes on another program. Before I issue an apology, I would like the opportunity to double-check this information."

Mr. and Ms. Raposa agreed to give Mr. Gaspar two weeks to "check his facts" and issue an apology. After that, they will pursue whatever means necessary. Ms. Raposa even agreed to meet with Mr. Gaspar later in the week to research information in the Town Hall files.

Later that evening, when asked if this incident would jeopardize Mr. Gaspar's access to the cable station,

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Programming Director Wes Rea said it would depend on the validity of his information. "If he has violated the rules, he would forfeit his time (on public access)," Mr. Rea said. Although Mr. Rea was of the understanding that Mr. Gaspar had taken the necessary training courses and had participated in a workshop — a requirement for all those wishing to utilize the public access service — Mr. Gaspar said he has yet to learn these skills.

"I haven't taken any courses," Mr. Gaspar said. "I'm very vocal in politics and in my public life ... but as far as technology, I can't even run a camera."

Mr. Gaspar also wanted to clarify his intentions in hosting the controversial public access show. "I don't do things on that program to be vindictive to anyone," Mr. Gaspar said. "My purpose is to enlighten voters about town government."

At 7:20 pm the board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation between the Acushnet Board of Public Works (BPW) and The Century House. The next regular meeting of the Acushnet Board of Selectmen will be held on Monday, April 14 at 6:00 pm (there will be no meeting on April 7).

News Submission Policy

The Wanderer gladly accepts any and all news and press release items from local non-profit organizations for publication on a weekly basis. The deadline for submission of said items is **Monday at 12:00 noon** for publication in that week's edition. Due to the increased



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number of submissions, however, publication of press material is never guaranteed. *The Wanderer* will make every effort to publish timely news items and announcements as the subject warrants and as often as spacing allows. All press material must be submitted in writing — we cannot accept news items via telephone.

Photographs of area events and newsmakers are also accepted and encouraged. *The Wanderer* accepts well-lit and clearly defined color or black and white photographs for publication provided they include a brief summary of the event or subject. Those interested in getting prints returned should make arrangements to pick them up at our office on the Friday following publication. Like news items, the deadline for photos is Monday at 12:00 noon and the publication of photographs is also subject to spacing constraints and therefore cannot be guaranteed.

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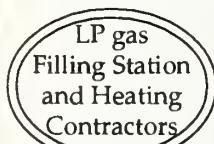
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At this time they have several "special needs" cats that are waiting and hoping for homes in the area. They include a part-Siamese female who loves other cats and is okay with a dog but would need to be placed in a quiet adult situation. Her name is Sabrina, and she is gorgeous. In her foster home, Trudy also has an all-black lovable male and a very large Persian cross gray male. They would all make wonderful pets if placed in the right situation. If interested, please call Trudy at 990-7806.

Another cat who is very rare and also needs a special home is an Asian Bengal three-year-old neutered male with very thick fur and bright blue eyes.

If interested in helping Animal Umbrella or in adopting one of the aforementioned pets, please contact one of the following local representatives:

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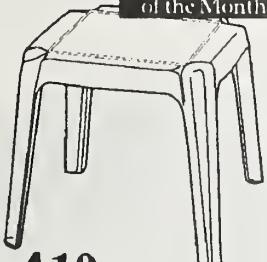


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The next Dog Adoption Day will be held on Saturday, April 5 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm at National Pet Care Center.

In the Lost and Found department this week, found on Church Street in Mattapoisett: a young tortoiseshell cat who is friendly. Please call Jackie at 758-4690 to claim. Also lost in the area of Shaws Cove: a three-legged cat. If found, please call one of the aforementioned Animal Umbrella representatives.

State Building Code

Mattapoisett Building Inspector Andrew J. Bobola noted that Massachusetts has recently published the Sixth Edition of their Building Code. The effective date of this publication was February 28, 1997, and the Fifth Edition will run concurrently with the Sixth Edition until August 27, 1997, at which time the only Building Code in effect will be the Sixth Edition.



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Mattapoisett Seniors Club

The topic of the Mattapoisett Seniors Club meeting on April 10 will be "Pre-Arrangement Burial and Cremation Services." The principal speaker is to be from the State of Massachusetts and invited to take part are the Reverend Barry W. Wall and the Reverend Raymond C. Patch, pastors at St. Anthony's and Mattapoisett Congregational Churches, respectively.

Ms. Rosalie Joaquin, President, will preside at the

1:30 pm business meeting. The president will also be a hostess, along with Mrs. Vinnie Lottero and Mrs. Cammie Duponte during a social hour. The afternoon entertainment will be games.

Other spring sessions will be May 8 and June 12, the latter to feature an appearance by the Old Hammondtown Jazz Band, originally scheduled for May. Members will meet in the Friends of the Elderly area at the Knights of Columbus.

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Sale and Supper in Marion

The Marion Methodist Church located at 13 County Road in Marion, will hold a Rummage Sale on Friday, April 4 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and Saturday, April 5 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. The event will feature a White Elephant Table in addition to many other items. Arrangements to make donations to be sold can be made by calling 748-2933.

The Marion Methodist Church will also be sponsoring a Ham and Bean Supper on Saturday, April 19 beginning at 5:30 pm at the church. The menu will include ham and beans, cole slaw, potato, salad, rolls, beverage, and dessert. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$4 for children. There will be only one seating, and reservations can be made by calling Else at 748-2933 or Iva at 748-2195.

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applies to fiscal years 1998 through 2002. The Capital Needs Committee was formed at the 1995 Annual Town Meeting and report to the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee. The committee's job is to plan ahead for capital projects in order to minimize mistakes and provide some assurance that we'll have adequate facilities in future years.

Capital items have been defined as any project costing more than \$10,000 and having a life exceeding five years. It applies to new items as well as repairs on existing facilities and equipment. The Capital Needs Committee does not endorse or refute projects. It assembles plans from all parties, helps define what might make sense to the public, and attempts to communicate this to our



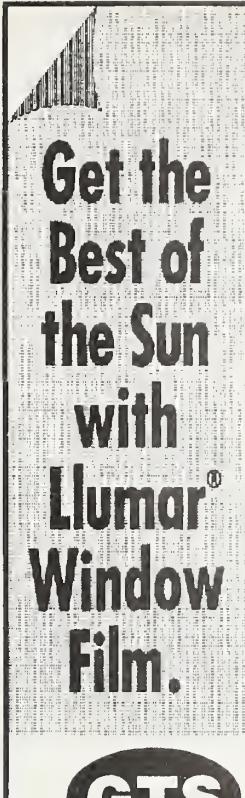
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The Selectmen have asked the Capital Needs Committee to hold a "Forum" to engage the public in dialogue about the items in this Capital Budget. Scheduled for 7:30 pm on Monday, April 28 at the Old Rochester Regional High School Auditorium, the committee will review projects for the five-year period (fiscal years 1998 through 2002) and a little beyond. The significant projects for discussion will include: Library Enhancement; Fire House Replacement; Water Department Building; Sewer Expansions; Road Repair; Bicycle Path Construction; Police Requirements; School Near-Term Needs; Open Space Objectives; and Wharf Repair.

If all the projects in the current Capital Budget pass in the year they come up for a vote, spending to pay off bonds actually *decreases*. This year, the town will pay out \$891,000 for debt service. If everything were to pass as its year arrives, the town will pay \$821,000 in debt service in the year 2002. This occurs because the town is gradually paying off and retiring the bonds for past projects such as schools, police station, wharf repair, and others.

There are a few issues which the committee *will not* discuss on April 28, because there just is not yet enough information available to be intelligent. These include: North Street Repairs; Dump Capping or Expansion; and Center School (except as a school budget). These items are important, too, and residents will get to talk at length when and if there are genuine proposals to consider.

The program will be moderated by Randall H. Kunz and there will be a short briefing by each of the ten departments and committees listed. Time will be made for constructive questions and observations. Since no vote is involved, the committee hopes everyone will participate.

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Please call the high school at 758-3745 for further information. Registration period ends Friday, April 4 and the class is slated to begin on Monday, April 7. The classes are held Monday and Tuesday in Room B-123 at the school from 6:30 to 8:30 pm and will run for seven weeks.

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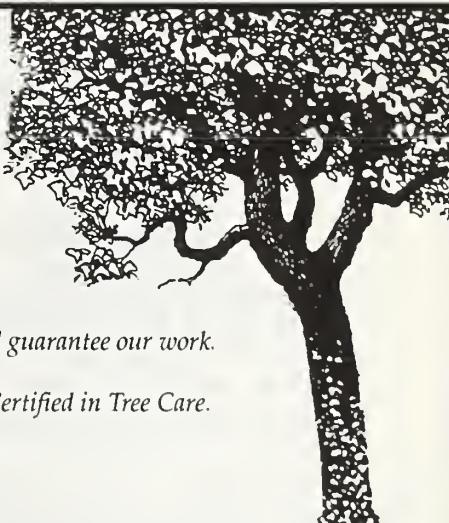
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Regional Junior High School cafeteria. Barbara offered a session titled "Discipline vs. Punishment" this fall which was enthusiastically-received. Parents expressed an interest in having her return to the area for a more in-depth offering.

Through a grant from the Regional Training Council of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, the council is able to offer this three-session series. The workshops are designed to offer parents techniques that they can use to modify their child's behavior, using a no-nonsense, well-defined approach. Practical strategies and anecdotal accounts are contained both in accompanying booklets and presentations.

The time sequence of three sessions allows parents to experiment with techniques introduced, refine their personal behavior management programs, and gain insights into the purpose and effect of their child's behaviors. Unique to this series is a "make and take" session in which parents develop several behavior management programs for selected behaviors, and take them home for practical use.

Parents in the tri-town area are welcome to attend. An optional donation will be accepted at the door. Although maximum benefit comes from attending all three sessions, participants may attend only one or two. To register, please contact Jane Taylor, Early Childhood Coordinator, at 748-1863.

Old Colony Museum Trip

On Saturday, April 12, the members of the Mattapoisett Historical Society will be traveling to Taunton to visit the Old Colony Historical Museum. The visit will include a talk by the museum's curator on "Simple Start to Silver Finish: Reed and Barton 100 Years," as well as a chance to tour the museum.

Reservations are required. The cost of the trip will be \$10 for Mattapoisett Historical Society members, and \$15 for guests and non-members. This includes bus transportation and museum fees. To reserve a space, please call Bette Roberts at 758-2844. The group will leave from the Park and Ride lot on North Street in Mattapoisett at 1:00 pm on return around 4:30 pm.

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The Rochester Land Trust is a private, non-profit member-supported organization dedicated to the acquisition, protection, and management of natural areas and scenic open space in Rochester. Plans are in the works for printing a 1998 calendar featuring Rochester viewscapes, which could include farm fields, stone walls, natural settings, historic structures, and the like. All photographs must be black and white and identify the location and owner of the property/area featured. The deadline for photography submittals is Friday, May 2, 1997. The Land Trust printed a 1997 calendar titled "Barns of Rochester" to benefit the land trust and hopes to make the calendar an annual fund-raiser.

The Rochester Land Trust is also soliciting ideas for a logo design. All designs must be black and white line drawings and should be submitted no later than Friday, May 2, 1997. All photographs and logo designs can be forwarded to the Rochester Land Trust, P.O. Box 337, Rochester, MA 02770.

Marion Town Clerk

The last day to register to vote for the Town of Marion's upcoming Annual Town Meeting and Election is April 8. The Town Clerk's office will be open that day for voter registration from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm. The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, April 28 at 6:45 pm in the Sippican School Auditorium and the election



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Mudgie Tavares Fund

On April 4 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Mattapoisett, a group of citizens from Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester, along with the Mattapoisett Lions Club, are kicking off a drive for the Mudgie Tavares Fund. This event will be a dance with four bands donating their talents. The cost is \$5 per person but, more importantly, everyone hopes people will reach into their pockets and make a contribution to this fund. Mudgie is in need of special equipment and long-term services to provide the needed care.

Maurice "Mudgie" Tavares has been a lifelong servant of the people and children of many communities. He has dedicated his life to taking care of others. Recently, he has suffered some severe medical problems that will no longer allow him to work and do the service he so dearly loves. Mudgie is the sponsor of the girls high school summer basketball league, bringing fifteen area schools into competition all summer long. He has also sponsored the girls high school field hockey summer league. He is

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the founder and president of the Mattapoisett Track Club, which has almost 300 students ages 4 to 12 involved all summer long. Children have come from Bourne to Fall River.

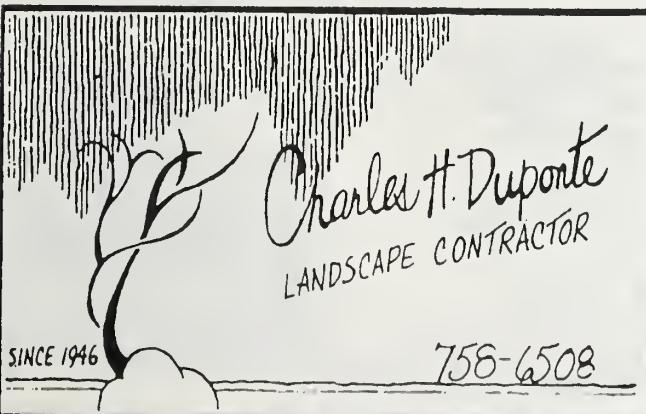
The Mattapoisett Wharf Dances for teenagers is also his undertaking. Whenever there is a student or athlete who is in need of clothing, sneakers, or equipment, he finds a way to get it for them. There are many families who have fallen upon hard times and he has brought them food.

Five years ago the Massachusetts Athletic Directors presented him with a state award for his lifetime service to children and their athletic programs. Three years ago he was the first Mattapoisett recipient of the Annual Wanderer Keel Award for his community service efforts. Whenever there have been children in programs, Mudgie has been there. He is a very active member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and senior citizens and the disabled have always counted on him to help, give rides, run errands, and bring needed goods to them. So many people have relied on him for support and now he needs our support.

If you can find it in your hearts to help Mudgie with his health and special needs, please send contributions to: Mattapoisett Lions Club/Mudgie Tavares Fund, P.O. Box 1022, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. And please make an effort to attend the April 4 benefit.

Benefit Concert at ORRJHS

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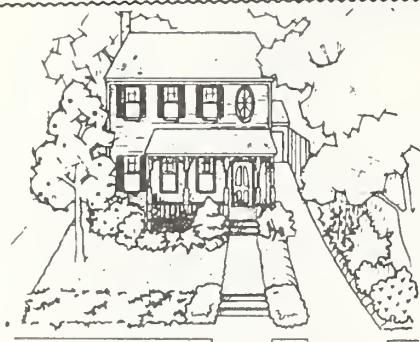
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The general public is invited to attend, and tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance for \$4 per person, or \$15 per family (including immediate family members at the same address only). The Project GROW Parents Group is strictly a volunteer organization, and all proceeds will go directly to the scholarships.

Rochester Police Dance

The Rochester Police Association will have a Steak Dinner and Dance on Saturday, April 12 at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 in Marion. Tickets are \$13 per person and can be purchased from any Rochester officer. For further information, please call 763-5112.



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The following Mattapoisett residents have also been named to the Honors List for the same semester. Honors is earned by attaining an overall average of 80 or above, with no grades below 75 and no more than one grade between 75 and 79. The Honors students include:

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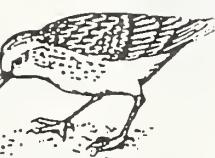
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• Freshmen - Laura A. Bender, daughter of Dr. and Ms. John Bender; Rebecca Lipstock, daughter of Dr. and Ms. Elliot Lipstock; and Blake E. Zahn, son of Mr. and Ms. Gary E. Zahn.

Acushnet Sea Shell Steppers

The Acushnet Sea Shell Steppers will hold a "Western Night" on Saturday, April 5 at 8:00 pm at the Acushnet Elementary School on Middle Road. The square and round dancing will be mainstream-plus level, the caller will be Jim Schell, and the cuer will be Anna McDougall. Western apparel is optional. For more information, please call 995-2209 or 995-7204.

Tobey Hospital Luncheon

On Wednesday, April 16, the Tobey Hospital Guild will hold its Luncheon and Card Party at the Congregational Church's Fellowship Hall in Wareham. Social hour will begin at 11:30 am, followed by the luncheon at 12:00 noon. The charge is \$10 per person, plus one's own tallies and cards. For further information, please call Ruth Kelenosey at 295-3858.

4-H Youth Attend Contest

The Plymouth County Junior 4-H Hippology Team recently placed sixth at the State 4-H Horse Contest held last month at the State 4-H Center in Ashland. Team members competing in this horse knowledge and identification contest were: Meghan Martin of



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Easter Seal Hop-N-Ing in Acushnet

Youngsters at the Long Plain Christian Nursery in Acushnet will learn about physical disabilities during the week of April 4 through a special Easter Seal Program, sponsored by T J Maxx, WB-56, WWLP-TV22, and Business Equipment Depot. The Easter Seal Hop-N-Ing teaches children about the causes of disabilities and their

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OHS Receives Accreditation

Principal Robert M. Rosenblatt was informed by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) that the Board of Directors voted unanimously to award initial ten-year accreditation to Old Hammondtown School in Mattapoisett. There is a sixty-two page assessment report regarding the accreditation now available to the public. Copies can be found at the Mattapoisett Public Library, and the Media Center at OHS.

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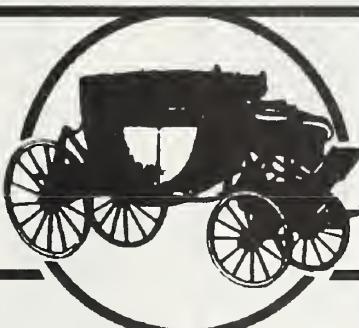
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- Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - Grocery shopping trips for seniors without transportation.

- Wednesday - Social group at the senior center, Bingo, cards, socializing and shuffle board from 1:00 pm until 3:30 pm.

- Wednesday and Friday - Poker from 1:00 pm until 3:30 pm.

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- April 23 - Westgate Mall;
- April 30 - Mildred's Chowder House, Hyannis, MA.

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Anyone interested in grocery shopping at Shaw's on Friday at 7:30 am, please call 979-4029 for a reservation.

Blood Pressure Clinics

Blood Pressure Clinics for the month of April will be held on Wednesday, April 9 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm and on Wednesday, April 16 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. The clinics are held at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street and are open to all Mattapoisett residents.

Rough Riders in Mattapoisett

The Mass Rough Riders, Inc., a non-profit horse club that was formed in East Bridgewater in 1953, is moving its show ring to Mattapoisett for the 1997 season. This move was required as the former show ring location on Route 105 in Halifax has been sold to a developer and will soon be someone's back yard. The club is looking forward to a similarly long and successful relationship with the Town of Mattapoisett and anticipates welcoming many new members and spectators to the Salty Dog Ranch on Crystal Spring Road.

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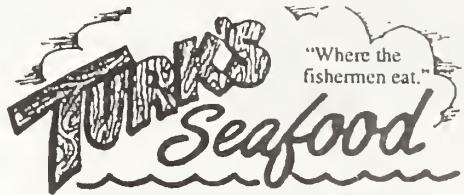
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The show season typically runs from April to October. The show dates are always on Sunday as follows: April 13 and 27; May 11 and 25; June 8, 22 and 29; July 13; August 10 and 31; September 14 and 28. October 5 and 12 will be used for any show date that is rained out. Starting time is 10:00 am, parking is free, and lunch is available. Once again, the club wants to thank the Dawicki family and the town officials for their generosity and graciousness in welcoming them to Mattapoisett. For further information, please call Cindy at 758-6940 or Sandie at 586-3246.

Seniors Dinner in Mattapoisett

The Mattapoisett Lions Club will hold their Annual Seniors Dinner on Saturday, April 12 at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Dinner will be served at 12:00 noon. A full-course turkey sitdown dinner will be prepared and served by the members of the Mattapoisett Lions Club with the assistance of the Boy Scouts. Take-out dinners can be requested for shut-ins, and transportation, including wheelchair, can be arranged for those requiring it. The Billy Couto Orchestra will provide entertainment. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Cynthia Paige at the Senior Center at 758-4110.



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Fairhaven Colonial Club

The Fairhaven Colonial Club is offering a scholarship in the amount of \$500. This scholarship is open to high school seniors or college students who are residents of Fairhaven and are pursuing higher education in one of the following fields: American history, fine arts, museum studies, or architectural preservation. The deadline for applications is Monday, April 28.

Applications may be obtained at Fairhaven High School and should be returned to: Scholarship Committee, Fairhaven Colonial Club, 6 Cherry Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

Tri-Town Phone Book Alert

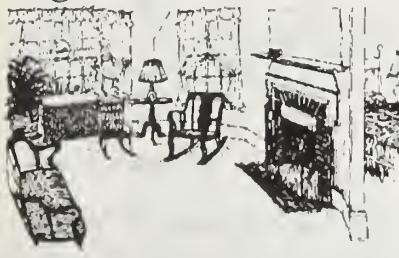
Work has started on the new issue of the Mattapoisett/Marion/Rochester Phone Directory published every year by the Tri-Town League of Women Voters. The phone book committee is updating the listings: names, addresses, and telephone numbers for the 1997 Directory. Residents should check the current "blue book" to make sure their listings are accurate and in their preferred form. The Post Office is now strict about requiring applicable Post Office Box numbers on mail addresses. If requested, the League will add a P.O. number. However, space is limited. Suitable abbreviations may be necessary.

New residents (since last April) of Marion, Mattapoisett, or Rochester and also residents who have moved from one place to another within the tri-town area and have not already reported in should send their addresses and phone numbers to: LWV Phone Book, 42 Stoney Run, Marion, MA 02738. There are forms for this purpose in the back of the current book. Editors John and Claire Russell may also be telephoned at 508-748-2542. Listings and changes are FREE.

Important: Residents currently listed in the local directory and *not in NYNEX* should confirm by mail or phone to the Russells that they wish to be included again for 1997.

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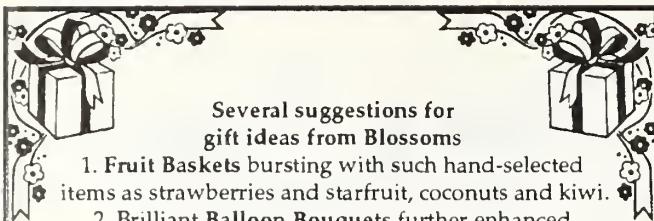
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Symphonic Band Concert

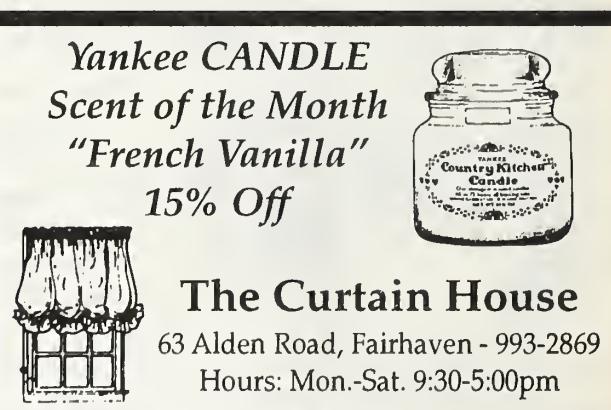
Enjoy an old-fashioned band concert and bring the whole family! Hear the Tri-County Symphonic Band at Wareham High School on Sunday, April 6 at 3:00 pm as the band concludes its 35th concert season with music that is sure to please.

Music Director George Dietzler has chosen a program with something for everyone, starting with David Bobrowitz' "Outrageous Overture" plus selections from Cy Coleman's "Barnum," a "Cole Porter Medley" arranged by Robert Bennett, selections from Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Evita," all topped off with stirring marches and a novelty tune by S. D. Eish, "Dancing Reeds."

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, with children under 5 admitted FREE. Tickets are available at the Symphony Music Shop, the Shawmut Diner, The Bookstall in Marion, Margaret's Card Shop in Wareham, or at the door. The concert is made possible in part by grants from local Cultural Councils in Wareham, Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, Lakeville, Fairhaven, and Dartmouth, and by a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Acushnet School Registration

The Acushnet Public Schools announces an Orientation Program for parents of incoming Kindergarten students at the Acushnet Elementary School. The program will be held on Thursday, April 17. Parents whose children's last names begin with the letters A through H should arrive at 10:00 am. Parents whose children's last names begin with the letters I through Z should arrive at 1:30 pm. Children are invited to join the current Kindergarten class for Buddy Day Activities while



parents are attending the Orientation Session.

Parents who attend the orientation will have an opportunity to register their child for Kindergarten screening which will be held during the week of May 27, 1997 and the week of June 2, 1997 by appointment only. Any child who will be five years old by September 30, 1997 is eligible to attend Kindergarten in September, 1997.

If students are transferring into the Acushnet Public Schools for other grades, parents may register their children in June. Please contact the school secretary at 998-0255 (Acushnet Elementary, Grades 1 - 5) or 998-0265 (Ford Middle School, Grades 6 - 8). You must be a town resident and all forms must be completed prior to the start of school in September, 1997.

School Committee Meetings

The following is a schedule of School Committee meetings for April, 1997. All meetings are slated to begin at 7:30 pm:

- Tuesday, April 8 - ORR District School Committee at ORR High School;
- Monday, April 14 - Mattapoisett School Committee at Old Hammondtown School;
- Thursday, April 17 - Rochester School Committee at Memorial School.

Choral Society Spring Concert

The Sippican Choral Society will perform a special Spring Concert on Sunday, April 13 at 7:30 pm in the St. Gabriel's Church Parish Hall in Marion. The concert is free, with admission on a first-come, first-served basis.

Tongue planted firmly in cheek, Director Peter West announced the concert by saying, "The chorus considers this an 'encore' to its Christmas Concert last December, which, if you'll remember, was somewhat shorter than usual. We're just finishing up what we started in December. You could consider it the completion of our shortest concert ever, or the end of our longest intermission."

The April 13 concert at St. Gabriel's will be a mix of classical, popular, and patriotic music, including Byrd's

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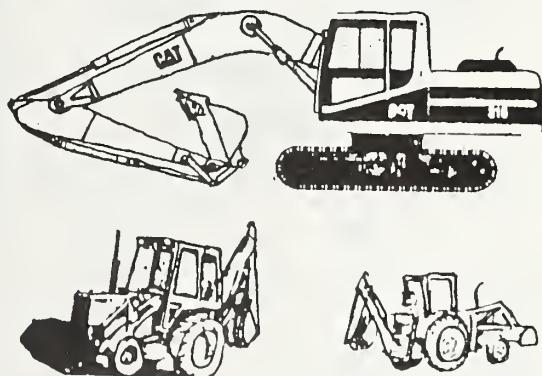


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Now in its 33rd season, the 60-member Sippican Choral Society is under the direction of Peter West, with Corinne Peck as accompanist. The group performs at least two concerts every year, singing the works of the world's great composers, as well as works from the musical theater.

Doors to St. Gabriel's Parish Hall on South Street

in Marion will open at 7:00 pm for the 7:30 pm concert. As noted, the concert is free, but seating will be more limited than usual.

Anyone unable to attend this special "Encore!" performance will have the chance to hear the chorus on May 17 in Lexington and May 18 in New Bedford under the auspices of the New Bedford Choral Society, joining with the Concord Chorus and the New Bedford Choral Society in performances of Dvorak's "Requiem." Tickets for those concerts will be available in early May.

Fairhaven Visitors Center

The Fairhaven Visitors Center would like you to help people visiting Fairhaven this summer by providing information and directions on what to do and see in the area.

If you are a good "people person," share an enthusiastic sense of pride for the town, and can spare a couple of hours a week during weekday or weekend afternoons, you can assist Fairhaven's tourism development by volunteering at the Visitors Center. Orientation classes outlining the town history, recreational opportunities, and general visitor information and services will be held on three Thursday afternoons in April. Volunteers will also take a walking tour of Fairhaven Center and learn about nearby attractions outside of town.

The first class will take place on Thursday, April

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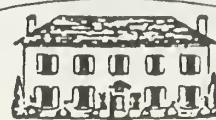
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10 at 3:00 pm at the Fairhaven Visitors Center. The second and third sessions are scheduled for April 17 and April 24. The date and time of the walking tour will be set at the first meeting. Those wishing to volunteer should attend all three classes and the tour.

"I'm most interested in having volunteers staff the Visitors Center between 10:00 and 2:00 on Sunday afternoons in the summer," said Christopher J. Richard, Director of Tourism. "That will keep the center open six days a week. Once Sunday is covered, a few volunteer hours during the week would allow me to leave the office on business without locking the door to tourists."

Mr. Richard explained that one need not be fully versed in Fairhaven history or attractions in order to work

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at the center. That's what the classes are to help with," he said. "The basic textbook will be our own Visitors Guide booklet. There will be hand-outs on the most important historical figures and sites. I'll also give out ferry schedules, area museum hours, beach parking and shellfish regulations, restaurant lists, and other information. Volunteers will make their own personal three-ring binders, arranged in the way each is most comfortable using."

Anyone interested in volunteering should call or visit the Office of Tourism between now and the April 10 orientation session. The Fairhaven Visitors Center is located at 27 Center Street. The telephone and fax number is 508-979-4085. Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging

Pen Pals

Pen Pals are greatly needed for the students at Old Hammontown School. Please call the Senior Center at 758-4110 to assist.

Mall Trip

The next Mall Trip will be April 17 to the Swansea Mall in Swansea, MA.

Tax Assistance

Tax Assistance is available on Monday mornings from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Senior Center by appointment only. Please call 758-4110 to make an

appointment.

Weight Lifting

Weight Training classes are held on Friday mornings at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join. The cost is \$18 for six classes.

Senior Club

The Senior Club will be having a meeting on Thursday, April 10 at 1:45 pm on "The Realistic Cost of Funerals."

Tri-County Music Scholarships

As is its custom, the Tri-County Music Association will be awarding scholarships to qualified students pursuing college-level study of music or music education, as announced recently by the group's president, Marjorie Jenney. Details of application procedures are available from the high school guidance counselors and from music directors. Stipends have traditionally been \$500 per student and over the years more than 75 music majors have received awards.

The Tri-County Music Association is also the sponsor of the Tri-County Symphonic Band which has been keeping the American tradition of the concert band alive here in southeastern Massachusetts. The Association, which is an all-volunteer organization, depends on and is thankful for grants from local Cultural Councils, community businesses, foundations, and individuals who support its work.

Mattapoisett Yacht Club

Are you interested in sailing/racing? Then the Mattapoisett Yacht Club is interested in you. Why not come to their Open House on Saturday, April 12 at 10:00 am? The Yacht Club is located in the Mattapoisett Boat Yard on Ned's Point Road in Mattapoisett.

The club is trying to put together sailors with racing experience but who do not have a boat to race with people who have a boat with no racing experience. They are also interested in sailors who are interested in learning to race on boats with experienced racers. There will be sign-up sheets for this on the bulletin board at the Yacht Club.

The Wednesday night series saw record numbers of boats participating in 1996. They have three classes that accommodate boats from Sunfish to Beetle Cats, to yachts up to the forty-foot range. The racing is competitive, often with several boats finishing within seconds after corrections. Despite the competition, however, the atmosphere is friendly. The 1996 season was protest-free. When members race in area regattas, rivals from the club's Wednesday night series rapidly become team players. Mattapoisett Yacht Club won the team trophy at the 1995 American Cancer Society Regatta and in 1996, the team trophy at the Figawi Race Weekend.

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help. Performance Handicap Racing Formula (PHRF) applications will be available along with club members to assist in filling them out. Skippers should bring any information about their boats, such as brochures and spec sheets. They will also have people available to help with sail measurement. So bring along those sails you might want to race with. Bring all if you're not sure which you should be using. At a future date, the Mattapoisett Yacht Club will also hold a Skipper's Meeting to explain the new racing rules for 1997.

The Mattapoisett Yacht Club will also be hosting the Beetle Cat Championships this season. This is promising to be a great race with great sailing on Buzzards Bay. Remember: boat ownership or experience is not required.

Acushnet Town Clerk

Census Forms

Last call to return your 1997 Census Forms to the Town Clerk's office. If you have never received a Census Form (which was mailed out in early January), please call the Town Clerk's office at 998-0215. New residents or residents who have moved within the town should also call to make sure they are on the current census list. Failure to respond to the census could result in removal from the active voting list and also reduce the amount of state and federal aid the town receives.

Absentee Ballots

Absentee Ballots for the Annual Town Election on April 7 are available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours. Any registered voter who will not be able to vote on Election Day is eligible. If you have any questions or would like a ballot application sent to you, please call the Town Clerk's office at 998-0215. Polls will open from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm on Election Day.

Business Certificates

Acushnet business owners — under Massachusetts General Laws (Chapter 110, Section 5), it states: "Any person conducting business in the Commonwealth whether individually or as a partnership, shall file in the Clerk's Office of that town a certificate stating the full name and residence of each person conducting such business."

The fee for this certificate shall be \$20 for a four-year period. Violation to this law shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$300 for each month of violation. Business owners are urged to contact the Acushnet Town Clerk to file a business certificate.

Mattapoisett Public Library

Preschool Story Hour

Registration for the Preschool Story Hour at the Mattapoisett Public Library is now taking place. The program is for children ages 3 to 5 and consists of stories, fingerplays, music, and simple crafts. (Children must be 3 years of age by the first program in the session). You can

register for the afternoon program on Wednesday from 1:00 to 1:45 pm or the morning program on Friday from 10:30 to 11:15 am. The spring session will have six program beginning April 9 and 11, and ending May 21 and 23.

Storytime

Registration for the Storytime for Two-Year-Olds will take place in the Children's Room beginning April 15. The thirty-minute program is for two-year-olds accompanied by an enthusiastic adult and will consist of stories, fingerplays, puppets, music, and quiet time for sharing books together. Only the child who is registered may attend storytime; and he or she must be two years old by the first program.

The four-week programs will be held on Thursday mornings from 10:30 to 11:00 am on May 1, 8, 15 and 22.

FHS Class of 1937

The Fairhaven High School Class of 1937 is planning a 60th Reunion Get-Together on June 29, 1997 at the Seaport Inn in Fairhaven. The Reunion Committee is trying to locate a number of classmates who are no longer at their last known addresses. Their names are:

Cecelia Barnes Abraham; Dora Hoxie Ayres; Clifford Chapman; Eleanor Gregory Goodwin; Mae Morrisette Marcoux; James Morris; Gladys Place Schrader; Dr. Harold Woodcock.

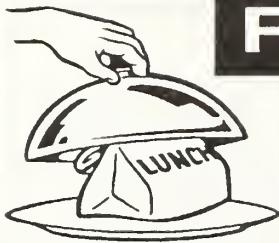
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Wednesday, April 9 — Meatball sandwich, potato puffs, corn, or bologna sandwich and soup, milk, dessert.

Thursday, April 10 — Hot dogs, French fries, carrots, or ham sandwich and soup, milk, dessert.

Friday, April 11 — Pizzeria pizza with sausage, pasta salad, or tuna and chowder, milk, dessert.

■ COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION

Monday, April 7 — Roast turkey with gravy, whipped potatoes, hubbard squash, dinner roll, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, April 8 — French meat pie with gravy, baked potato, peas and carrots, marble bread, gingerbread with topping.

Wednesday, April 9 — Chicken rice soup, Italian breaded veal, pasta shells with sauce, green beans, Italian bread, vanilla pudding.

Thursday, April 10 — Boneless chicken breast with gravy, au gratin potatoes, brussel sprouts, wheat bread, canned plums.

Friday, April 11 — Fish chowder, fish and cheese sandwich with tartar sauce, oven tries, hamburg roll, spinach, canned pears.

■ CENTER SCHOOL - MATTAPoisETT

Monday, April 7 — Hot dog, baked beans, potato puffs, or tuna pocket on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, juice or milk.

Tuesday, April 8 — Beef taco, or chicken fajita pocket, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 9 — Spaghetti with French bread, or turkey pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 10 — Oven fried chicken, peas, mashed potato, or ham and cheese pocket, soup, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 11 — Cheese pizza, or tuna pocket/roll, soup, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

■ FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, April 7 — Chicken nuggets with sauces, baked pork chop with gravy, bologna and lettuce sub, rice pilaf, green beans, chilled apricots, strawberry/banana jello with topping.

Tuesday, April 8 — Hamburger/cheeseburger, shaved turkey club, mac rib sub, oven fries, baked beans, applesauce, gingerbread with topping.

Wednesday, April 9 — Taco boat with all the fixings, grilled cheese, chicken salad sub, Spanish rice, chili, tossed salad, chilled peaches, chocolate pudding with topping.

Thursday, April 10 — Turkey pie, Sloppy Joe on a bun, hamburger/cheeseburger, whipped potato, peas, mixed fruit, oatmeal cookie.

Friday, April 11 — Cheese pizza, sausage pizza, hot ham and cheese, fun fish nuggets, potato puffs, corn, applesauce, blueberry pie.

■ FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, April 7 — Meatball grinder, grated mozzarella, turkey/lettuce/tomato sub, Steak'Um and cheese sub, ovenfries, baked beans, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

Tuesday, April 8 — Baked lasagna, ham salad sub, hamburger/cheeseburger, tossed salad, carrots, applesauce, gingerbread with topping.

Wednesday, April 9 — French meat pie with gravy, chicken salad sub, Italian grinder, whipped potatoes, corn, chilled apricots, baked custard with topping.

Thursday, April 10 — American chop suey, grated mozzarella, mac rib sub, double grilled cheese, tossed salad, green beans, applesauce, oatmeal cookie.

Friday, April 11 — Baked macaroni and cheese, seafood salad pocket, shaved turkey club, salmon nuggets with creole sauce, potato puffs, peas, blueberry pie.

■ FORD MIDDLE SCHOOL - ACUSHNET

Monday, April 7 — Baked chicken, rice, corn, or ham sandwich and soup, milk, dessert.

Tuesday, April 8 — Sloppy Joe on a bun, buttered noodles, turkey sandwich and soup, milk, dessert.

Wednesday, April 9 — Meatball sandwich, potato puffs, corn, or bologna sandwich and soup, milk, dessert.

Thursday, April 10 — Hot dogs, French fries, carrots, or ham sandwich and soup, milk, dessert.

Friday, April 11 — Pizzeria pizza with sausage, pasta salad, or tuna and chowder, milk, dessert.

■ HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, April 7 — Chicken nuggets with sauces, baked pork chop with gravy, bologna and lettuce sub, rice pilaf, green beans, chilled apricots, strawberry/banana jello with topping.

Tuesday, April 8 — Hamburger/cheeseburger, shaved turkey club, mac rib sub, oven fries, baked beans, applesauce, gingerbread with topping.

Wednesday, April 9 — Taco boat with all the fixings, grilled cheese, chicken salad sub, Spanish rice, chili, tossed salad, chilled peaches, chocolate pudding with topping.

Thursday, April 10 — Turkey pie, Sloppy Joe on a bun, hamburger/cheeseburger, whipped potato, peas, mixed fruit, oatmeal cookie.

Friday, April 11 — Cheese pizza, sausage pizza, hot ham and cheese, fun fish nuggets, potato puffs, corn, applesauce, blueberry pie.

■ MEMORIAL SCHOOL - ROCHESTER

Monday, April 7 — Hot dog, baked beans, potato puffs, or tuna pocket on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, juice or milk.

Tuesday, April 8 — Beef taco, or chicken fajita pocket, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 9 — Spaghetti with French bread, or turkey pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 10 — Oven fried chicken, peas, mashed potato, or ham and cheese pocket, soup, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 11 — Cheese pizza, or tuna pocket/roll, soup, fussed salad, fruit, milk.

■ OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE

Monday, April 7 — Juice, Steak'Um and cheese sandwich, potato puffs, broccoli, spice cake.

Tuesday, April 8 — Sloppy Joe, rice, green beans, fruit, chocolate chip cookie.

Wednesday, April 9 — Pasta with meatsauce, salad, roll, chocolate cake.

Thursday, April 10 — Swedish meatballs, or turkey tetrazini, corn, roll, dessert.

Friday, April 11 — Pizza, hash brown patty, peas, dessert.

■ OLD HAMMONDSTOWN SCHOOL

Monday, April 7 — Hot dog, baked beans, potato puffs, or tuna pocket on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, juice or milk.

Tuesday, April 8 — Beef taco, or chicken fajita pocket, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 9 — Spaghetti with French bread, or turkey pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 10 — Oven fried chicken,

peas, mashed potato, or ham and cheese pocket, soup, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 11 — Cheese pizza, or tuna pocket/roll, soup, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

■ ORR JR. & SR. HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, April 7 — Soup, double grilled cheese, chicken patty, fries, pickles, fruit, juice or milk.

Tuesday, April 8 — Lasagna, or Italian sub, broccoli, garlic bread, fruit, juice or milk.

Wednesday, April 9 — Soup, hamburg with gravy, or chicken fritters, mashed potato, peas, roll, jello, juice or milk.

Thursday, April 10 — Baked beans and hot dogs, or ham and cheese croissant, cole slaw, pudding, juice or milk.

Friday, April 11 — Chicken fillet sandwich, lettuce and tomato, fries, juice, or milk.

■ SIPPICAN SCHOOL - MARION

Monday, April 7 — Hot dog, baked beans, potato puffs, or tuna pocket on a roll, veggie sticks, fruit, juice or milk.

Tuesday, April 8 — Beef taco, or chicken fajita pocket, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 9 — Spaghetti with French bread, or turkey pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 10 — Oven fried chicken, peas, mashed potato, or ham and cheese pocket, soup, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Friday, April 11 — Cheese pizza, or tuna pocket/roll, soup, fussed salad, fruit, milk.

■ ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL - FAIRHAVEN

Monday, April 7 — Chicken nuggets with sauces, baked pork chop with gravy, bologna and lettuce sub, rice pilaf, green beans, chilled apricots, strawberry/banana jello with topping.

Tuesday, April 8 — Hamburger/cheeseburger, shaved turkey club, mac rib sub, oven fries, baked beans, applesauce, gingerbread with topping.

Wednesday, April 9 — Taco boat with all the fixings, grilled cheese, chicken salad sub, Spanish rice, chili, tossed salad, chilled peaches, chocolate pudding with topping.

Thursday, April 10 — Turkey pie, Sloppy Joe on a bun, hamburger/cheeseburger, whipped potato, peas, mixed fruit, oatmeal cookie.

Friday, April 11 — EARLY DISMISSAL at 11:30 am (no lunch served).

If anyone has information on how to reach any of these people, please call Sherry (Carr) Arnold at 508-636-2669, or write to her at 160 Horseneck Road, South Dartmouth, MA 02748.

Rochester Association Offers Scholarship

The 700 North Avenue Residents Association from the Annie Maxim House is offering a scholarship to Rochester students in their senior year of high school who would like to continue their education or pursue their vocation of choice.

Applications are available by writing to: K. G. Morse, 700 North Avenue, Rochester, MA 02770, or by calling 763-2494. All applications and transcripts must be submitted by April 30, 1997.

Planting Day at Spragues Cove

The Buzzards Bay Project (BBP) will host a community planting day at the Spragues Cove Constructed Wetland. Due to the incredibly wet weather experienced last fall, the BBP had to postpone the seeding until this spring. The wetland was installed in 1995 to reduce stormwater pollution discharging into Spragues Cove. Although the wetland vegetation is thriving, some of the dikes need additional seeding.

The new date has been set as Saturday, April 12 between 12:30 and 4:30 pm. All ages are invited to attend. Containers for seed will be provided, as well as some rakes. If you have a rake which you can bring along, please do.

In addition, an educational display sign will be installed and dedicated at the same location. For further information, please call the Buzzards Bay Project at 748-3600. The BBP looks forward to seeing everyone on April 12.

Mattapoisett COA Openings

There are currently two openings on the Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA), each for a term of three years. The COA is a department of the town and members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Council is a working board whose purpose is to identify the needs of all elders, to educate and enlist the support of the community, and to design, advocate for, and implement the services to fill those needs.

The Council meets every second Tuesday of each month in the Mattapoisett Senior Center at 10:00 am. If you are a resident of Mattapoisett and are interested in serving as a volunteer member of the COA, please write

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Can tick bites make my dog sick?

Unfortunately, ticks carry Lyme Disease and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, both of which are very common in this area. The most common symptom of these diseases in dogs is lameness.

Dr. Gould can be reached at the Mattapoisett Animal Hospital (508) 758-6400

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Devil-may-care attitude permeates new Ford, Pitt thriller

BY ROB GONSALVES

■ *The Devil's Own*. Starring Harrison Ford and Brad Pitt. Directed by Alan J. Pakula. Running time: 107 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At Cinema 140 in New Bedford.

The Devil's Own is a lukewarm and insecure movie about violence and moral dilemmas — the usual Hollywoodization of Big Themes. Its brave stance is threefold: (A) that revenge doesn't solve anything; (B) that the Irish troubles are really confusing; and (C) that in a battle between two male stars, the guy with the biggest ... um ... box office will win. This is why we don't fear for Harrison Ford's life, but we do expect Brad Pitt to go to the great phony-accent school in the sky.

Pitt, whose erratic lilt is more Irish Spring than Irish, is Frank McGuire, an IRA terrorist who leaves Belfast and flees to New York under the name Rory Devaney. For reasons I didn't quite buy, Frank finds lodging with Tom O'Meara (Ford), an Irish-American cop with a beautiful wife (Margaret Colin) and three daughters. Tom, apparently unspoiled by his 23 years as a New York cop, welcomes this stranger into his home and is delighted to have a housemate "who can pee standing up."

Despite Frank's urinary talents, he soon gets in hot water. Which is a shame, because the domestic stuff in *The Devil's Own* is rich and funny. It's a hoot to see Harrison Ford navigating around three noisy girls, and he has an easy rapport with Margaret Colin, a seriously underrated character actress thrown away,

along with everyone else, in *Independence Day*. And Pitt is touching in the moments when Frank embraces this family life — everything he didn't have and can never have.

But then the movie falls back with a sigh of relief into a conventional gun-running plot, wherein Frank tries to get weapons to send back home; the deal goes bad, and Frank's enemies invade Tom's home. That scene, like every other bit of violence in the film, is crisply staged and genuinely alarming. But then Tom ships his wife and kids off to her sister's house (why do movie wives always have a sister to stay with when things get dangerous?), and Margaret Colin and her entertaining girls vanish, taking much of my interest with them.

What's left is a lot of moral grappling, not all of which has one iota of relevance to the plot. For instance, Tom's partner (Ruben Blades) shoots an unarmed guy in the back, and Tom undergoes a huge crisis about covering up the mistake. The partner may or may not have known that the guy had thrown away his gun, and may or may not have fired in vengeful anger (the guy had shot at them). This subplot may or may not be there to suggest that police work can be as ambiguous as Belfast warfare, and I may or may not think that all it does is slow the movie down.

Ford, our great American man of movies, gives one of his best performances here — nearly trembling with outrage and despair at how his surrogate son Frank has betrayed him — and it's a pity the script, which was notoriously sketchy when shooting began and presumably didn't improve much, just leads him into a dumb confrontation with Brad Pitt on a boat. For all its hefty brooding (Alan J. Pakula, a master brooder, directed), *The Devil's Own* is as muddled as the Irish troubles it virtually ignores, and the characters are stuck in the mud.

MOVIE LISTINGS

■ CINEMA 140
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Friday (April 4) through Sunday (April 6)
The Devil's Own (R) Fri. 4:45, 7:15, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thur. 6:45, 9:00
Kama Sutra (Not Rated)* Fri. 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thur. 7:00, 9:15
The English Patient (R) Fri. 7:15, Sat.-Sun. 2:15, 7:15; Mon.-Thur. 6:30

B.A.P.S. (PG-13) Fri. 5:15, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. 12:15, 5:15, 10:15; Mon.-Thur. 9:30
Selena (PG) Fri. 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thur. 6:45, 9:15
Double Team (R)* Fri. 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, Sat.-Sun. 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thur. 7:00, 9:00
Cat's Don't Dance (G) Fri. 4:45; Sat.-Sun. 1:00, 2:45, 4:45
Sling Blade (R) Fri.-Sun. 6:46, 9:15; Mon.-Thur. 6:30-9:00

*No discount coupons or passes accepted for these shows.
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to Jo Pannell, Chairman, Council on Aging, c/o Town Hall, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

Cards and Games in Marion

The fund-raising committee of the First Congregational Church of Marion invites community members to a Card and Game Party on Thursday, April 10 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm at the Community Center at the rear of the Marion General Store parking lot on Front Street. A luncheon will be served. A \$5 per person donation is requested. Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling Jeanne Lake after 6:00 pm at 748-0619, or Connie Masinda at 291-7616.

Woman's Club Scholarships

Four scholarships will be awarded by the Mattapoisett Woman's Club. In mid-March, three \$1,000 scholarships for seniors will be available at the guidance departments of Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, and Tabor Academy. The fourth scholarship is open for a post-secondary program and the applicant should contact Florrie Smith at 758-2140. Applicants must be residents of Mattapoisett or a child or grandchild of a Mattapoisett Woman's Club member.

Semi-Formal Dance in Fairhaven

The recently-restored Grand Ballroom on the second floor of Fairhaven's historic Town Hall will be the majestic setting for a Semi-Formal Dance on Saturday, April 5 from 7:00 pm to 12:00 midnight. The dance is sponsored by MOLIFE, Inc., to benefit services for people with disabilities. Tickets are \$17 per person, and may be purchased by calling 992-5978.

The Town Hall, built in 1894 by Standard Oil Company millionaire Henry Huttleston Rogers, was designed by noted architect Charles Brigham. The interior decoration incorporates carved oak woodwork, gleaming brass lighting fixtures, and leaded stained glass windows. Over the years, the upstairs grand ballroom has been used for Town Meetings, gala balls, theatrical productions, and concerts. Newly-completed renovations entailed refinishing woodwork, repainting the room in its original design, and reproducing light fixtures, including four chandeliers to replace long-lost originals. This winter, an elevator was installed, making the second floor accessible to all. This elegant and historical setting will enhance the evening's dancing and entertainment.

Guest speakers for the evening will include State Representative William Straus, New Bedford Mayor Rosemary Tierney, and Chairman of the Fairhaven Board of Selectmen John R. Roderiques. Music and entertainment will be provided by Mark Deschenes. There will be a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

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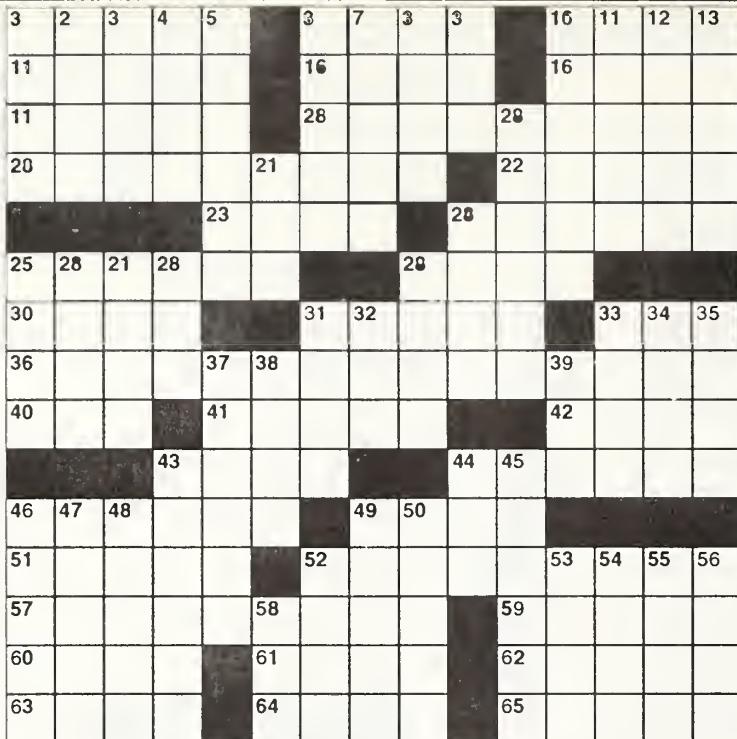
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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). Advance in your career. It'll help if you're not too pushy. Your friends turn you on to amazing new ideas.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). You'd like to travel, but you can't get away. Too many overdue projects. Eat at a foreign restaurant instead.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Put in your request for a loan. Emphasize how hard you'll work to pay it back. You can learn a lot. Your creativity earns you points.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Heed your partner's good advice. It'll help you deal with an older person's demands. You'll have to go along with an older person's wishes.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Work harder than you ever have before. Divvy up a tough job with an intelligent partner. Pay back a debt you owe.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're lucky in love, but lacking in money. That's OK, you got the better deal. Write a proposal that's coming due soon.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Home's where you should be. Postpone your date until later. Work demands all your time. Finish it up so you can get hauled off on an adventure.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Study old material until you have it down pat. Your house or your friend or both require attention. These days could be hectic.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Shop carefully. Get something your sweetheart wants, too. Your work will go very well. You may find the answer you've been seeking.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're hot, but the competition's fierce. Give it your best shot. Stay home and rip into a huge household project.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Somebody's looking over your shoulder. Do a good job. Shop for other people — you'll find the perfect thing.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). Your friends will steer you around an obstacle. Heed their advice. Take care of bureaucratic paperwork.

If You're Having a Birthday This Week: Focus on your career and you can make great strides. Self-discipline is the key.

organization that services the vocational and community needs of individuals with disabilities. For more information about either MOLIFE or the April 5 dance, please call Charles Murphy at 992-5978 or write to: 43 Daniel Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

Marion's Sippican Seniors

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Sippican Seniors will be held at 1:30 pm on Friday, April 11 at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 in Marion. Refreshments will be served.

Maurice Parkenon of R.F. Morse and Son in Wareham will show various ways to arrange flowers. Finished bouquets will be raffled off to members.

Chicken BBQ

Tickets for the June 1 Chicken Barbeque, sponsored by the Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2424 VFW, will be available at the April 11 meeting or from Natalie Sullivan. Cost for tickets for the BBQ, which will be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday, June 1, are \$5 for members and \$6 for guests.

Executive Board

The Executive Board will meet at 9:30 am on Monday, April 7 at the Drop-In Center in Marion.

Bargain Table

Dorothy Boardman welcomes new items for her Bargain Table and urges members to drop by the table when attending the meetings.

Soup Labels

Annie Giberti, our Campbell soup lady, reminds everyone to save labels for her and bring them to the next meeting.

Senior Drop-In

The Senior Drop-In Center in the Congregational Community Center offers Bridge on Tuesdays (Fleurette Hotte at 295-7920), and Thursdays (Bob Bunnell at 748-1603). The second and fourth Tuesdays are scheduled in various members' homes.

Whist parties are also offered at 1:00 pm and on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month — please contact Natalie Sullivan at 748-1467.

Mattapoisett Recycling Reminder

The Mattapoisett Board of Health would like to remind all residents to crush all plastic milk and water jugs before putting them out for recycling. The newspapers should be left in paper bags that can also be recycled or tied with a string. Updated recycling

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LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES	LEGAL NOTICES
<p>TOWN OF MATTAPoisETT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following petitions and applications:</p> <p>Petition of Linda Brownell Shea of 1 Park Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 5 Boat Rock Road, (Mattapoisett Industrial Park). The petitioner is seeking a Variance under Section VI.E of the Zoning By-Law to construct a 51' x 200' warehouse addition on a lot that does not meet the required sideline setback. The property is further described as Lot 39, Plat 26 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 17, 1997 at 7:00 PM #794</p> <p>Petition and application of John Dennis Gibbons of 1 Water Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located on Foster Street. The petitioner is seeking a Variance under Section V.H. and a Special Permit under Section V.H.2 of the Zoning By-Law to construct a steel building for retail sales & storage of farming & construction equipment as well as rental space. The property is further described as Lot 107, Plot 8 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 17, 1997 at 7:20 P.M. #795</p> <p>Application of Barbara and Kristyn Nordstrom of 56 Acushnet Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 21 Church Street. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Section III.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law due to a previous BOA decision, Case #595. The owners are also proposing minor alterations to the structure. The property is further described as Lot 29, Plot 9 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 17, 1997 at 7:40 P.M. #796</p> <p>Petition and application of Elaine Tate, J. Romeo and Edith Langevin of 17 Fraleigh Street, Red Hook, NY 12571 re property located at 19 Cove Street. The petitioners are seeking a Variance under Section VI.E and a Special Permit under Section III.A.2.b of the Zoning By-Law to revise the setbacks and house plans originally granted in BOA Case #694. The property is further described as Lot 21, Plot 1 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 17, 1997 at 8:00 P.M. #797</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.</p> <p>William D Armitage, Chairperson Jeffrey R. Chase Nancy L. O'Brien Robert Bertrand Girard F. Oliva 4/4/97 4/11</p>	<p>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION CHANGES IN MAY 1997 MEETING SCHEDULE The Marion Conservation Commission's regularly-scheduled meeting at 7:00 PM, Thursday, May 1, 1997 in the Town House main conference room has been changed to 7:00 PM Thursday, May 8, 1997 in the Town House main conference room. The Marion Conservation Commission's regularly-scheduled meeting at 7:00 PM Thursday, May 15, 1997 in the Town House main conference room has been changed to 7:00pm Thursday, May 22, 1997 in the Town House main conference room. Frank J. Germano, Jr., Chairman Conservation Commission 4/4</p> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN LEGAL NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing on Monday, April 28, 1997 at 7:05 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall to address the petition of Jason Smith who is seeking an Earth Removal Permit on property located on High Street, Assessors plan 19 lot 1, containing approximately 36.5 acres. The applicant is proposing to construct five (5) acres of cranberry bogs with associated dike roads, tailwater pond and reservoir. Plans submitted by GAF Engineering, are on file in the Selectmen's office, Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way, and available for review during regular business hours. Lorraine Roy Hawkes, Chairman William D. Chamberlain Richard D. Cutler</p>	<p>Rochester Board of Selectmen 4/4</p> <p>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM NOTICE OF LICENSE APPLICATION PURSUANT TO M.G.L. CHAPTER 91 WATERWAYS LICENSE APPLICATION NO. W96-5008 JAMES RADCLIFFE, JR. Public Notice is hereby given of the application by James Radcliffe, Jr. to maintain an existing timber pier and stone rip rap at 63 Marshmeir in the Municipality of Mattapoisett in and over the waters of Mattapoisett Harbor.</p> <p>The proposed use of the structure(s) and/or fill is to provide shore-line stabilization for the protection of existing structures and is a water-dependent project.</p> <p>The Department will consider all written comments submitted thirty (30) days subsequent to the "Notification Date" in order to decide whether to grant authorization for the proposed activity pursuant to G.L. Chapter 91. A public hearing may be held upon request by the Municipal Official. Furthermore, a municipality, ten citizen group or any aggrieved person that has submitted written comments may also petition to intervene to become a party before the close of the comment period. Failure to submit such petition will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing. Further information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Division at (617)292-5695 or Mauk, Boucher & Heureux, Inc. at 648 American Legion Highway, Suite One, Westport, MA 02790. Plans and documents for this application are on file with the Department for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below. Written comments must be submitted to: John A. Simpson, Program Chief, DEP/Waterways Regulation Program, One Winter Street, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.</p> <p>Notification Date: 4/4</p>

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The Marion Art Center announces the following classes and other events coming this spring:

• Watercolor Workshops with Betty Dunlop will be held on Monday mornings (9:30 am to 12:30 pm) in May. Fee is \$25 per class or \$90 for all four weeks.

• Aerobics are ongoing on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 am. Fee is \$4 per class or \$30 per month.

• ARTCAMP '97 applications are now being accepted. ARTCAMP, established 11 years ago, is a program for children ages four and a half to eight years. Activities include arts and crafts, theater, music (singing and dancing) games, rhymes and original, multimedia creative shows. There are two three-week sessions: July 8 - 17; July 22 - 31; and August 5 - 14. ARTCAMP participants are grouped by age and the camp meets on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Snack is provided by the Marion Art Center. Space is limited. Please call 748-1266 for more information.

• Auditions for the MAC summer musical, "Stairway to Paradise," featuring Gershwin tunes and directed by Paul Sardinha, will be held on Wednesday,

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	<p>BOARD OF SELECTMEN John N. DeCosta, Chairman Paul E. Lambalot, Clerk Michele C. Bernier</p>	<p>TOWN OF MATTAPoisETT PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Pursuant to Massachusetts general Laws Chapter 40A, section 11 and section III.H.S. of the Mattapoisett Zoning By-law, the Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 15, 1997 at 7:30pm in the Conference Room, second floor, Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett on the application of the Estate and Trust of Manuel R. Nunes, Jr. and Brandt Island Corporation to amend a SPECIAL PERMIT granted by the Board under section III.H. of the Mattapoisett Zoning By-law (Cluster Housing) on June 19, 1996, and amended on September 19, 1996. The property that is the subject of the special permit is a parcel of vacant land on the west side of Brandt Island Road containing approximately 210.5 acres, and is shown as Lot 9 on Assessors Map 13, and Lot 2 on Assessors Map 14. The special permit authorized 147 single family house lots and 9 open space parcels, on lots that are smaller in area, frontage and yard requirements that is otherwise permitted under the Zoning By-law. The application seeks to amend the special permit to reduce the area of the land governed by the special permit to 195.6 acres, and the number of residences to 130. The application also seeks to amend certain conditions of the special permit as follows:</p> <p>Condition 8. Requires municipal water service. Applicant seeks permission to serve the lots with on site wells if municipal water is unavailable.</p> <p>Condition 10. Requires improvements to Brandt Island Road. Applicant seeks to limit its obligation to \$75,000.</p> <p>Condition 11. Requires contribution of \$50,000. to the Town for updating its Master Plan. Applicant seeks to reduce that contribution to \$15,000.</p> <p>Condition 12. Requires applicant to pay for study to design a water and sewer facilities for Brandt Beach area. Applicant seeks to delete that requirement.</p> <p>The plan, special permit and the application for amendment are on file with the Town Clerk's Office at Mattapoisett Town Hall, and may be inspected upon request during regular business hours.</p> <p>Christopher Jaskolka, Clerk Mattapoisett Planning Board</p>	
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April 9 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

• Rehearsals are under way for "I Hate Hamlet," a comedy by Paul Rudnick, to be presented at the Marion Art Center the last weekend in April and the first weekend in May. The hilarious show will be directed by Christopher LeBlanc (who also performs in the show) and features Donn Tyle, Anthony Kandel, Cheryl Larson, Joan Olsen, Jane Babbitt, and some surprises. Reservations are recommended.

• The current Watercolor Show in the MAC Gallery features artists Yvette Gelineau and Sylvia Carlos Slattery of Mattapoisett, Mary Nicolo Hurwitz of South Dartmouth, and Jacqueline Spinney of Mashpee. The exhibition will run through April 23. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm, and Saturday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Admission is FREE.

For information and/or registration, please call the MAC office at 748-1266.

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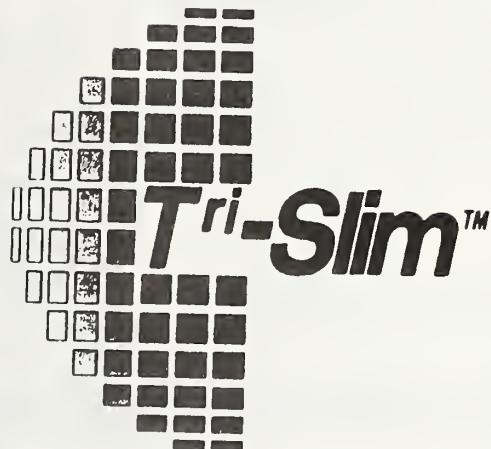
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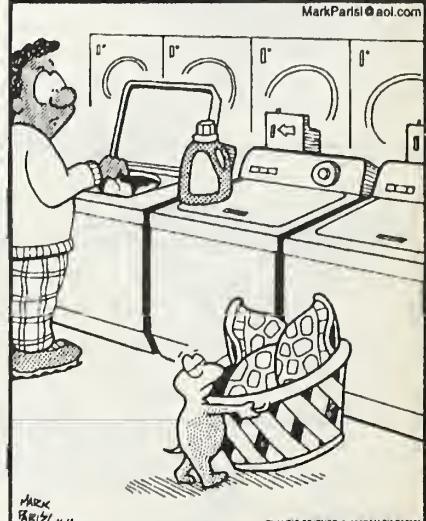
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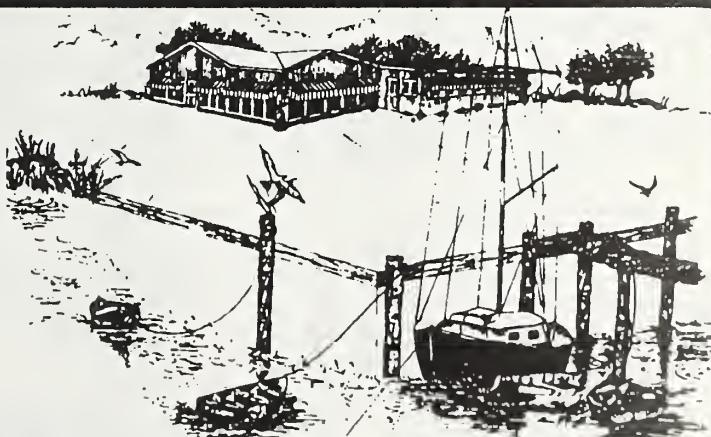
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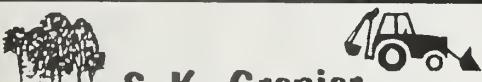
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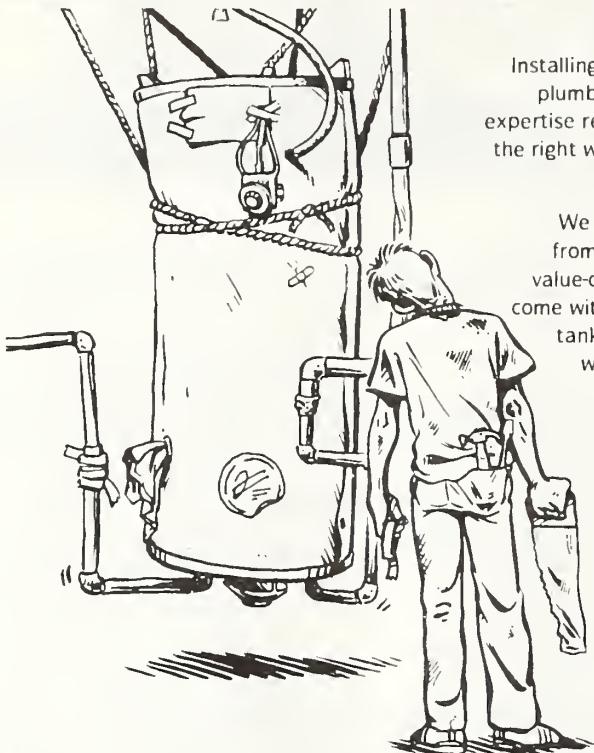
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April 5:	Sat.	5:52	6:16	11:45	...
April 6:	Sun.	7:43	8:05	12:19	1:35
April 7:	Mon.	8:33	8:55	2:11	2:21
April 8:	Tues.	9:20	9:42	2:59	3:06
April 9:	Wed.	10:08	10:30	3:45	3:50
April 10:	Thur.	10:57	11:19	4:31	4:32
April 11:	Fri.	11:47	...	5:16	5:16
April 12:	Sat.	12:11	12:39	6:01	6:01
April 13:	Sun.	1:03	1:35	6:50	6:52
April 14:	Mon.	2:00	2:32	9:01	9:25
April 15:	Tues.	2:59	3:32	9:01	9:25
April 16:	Wed.	3:57	4:27	10:19	10:52
April 17:	Thur.	4:51	5:18	11:09	11:42
April 18:	Fri.	5:40	6:04	11:44	...
April 19:	Sat.	6:26	6:47	12:18	12:16
April 20:	Sun.	7:08	7:28	12:50	12:48
April 21:	Mon.	7:50	8:08	1:22	1:21

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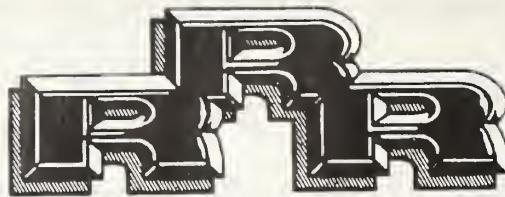
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